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**TITLE: DRINKING AND POURING CLOSURE WITH A PIERCING CUTTER
DEVICE FOR COMPOSITE PACKAGINGS OR CONTAINER AND
BOTTLE SPOUTS SEALED WITH A FILM MATERIAL**

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The accompanying references relate generally to container closures, etc., generally known to the prior art.

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